



CORVALLIS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Active Scam Alerts



Before you send any money please review this list and see if any of these situations apply to you:

- Someone states they are law enforcement or the government and accuses you of:
 - Owing unpaid taxes to the IRS
 - Having outstanding court fines
 - Having a warrant for your arrest

And is demanding you pay money via gift cards to settle debts or avoid arrest.

Remember: Legitimate Law Enforcement and Government Employees will **NEVER** ask you for payments via the phone or using gift cards.

- You have sold an item online and have received a check for more money than an agreed upon sale price or what was offered; and now are being asked to send money back, deposit the difference into another account or send money to a third party.

Remember: Scammers will always want **YOU** to send **THEM** money.

Other Common Scams:

- You have won a contest or sweepstakes, but need to send money to cover entry fees, or transfer costs?
- You found a rental on the Internet, but you cannot verify the landlord actually owns the property or has the authority to rent the property to you.
- You accepted an online job offer; and they want you to deposit a check and send money back to them to cover startup costs.
- If you think you may be a victim of one of the above scams or a different scam, please contact the Corvallis Police Department before depositing, cashing, sending, or purchasing any money or goods.

Corvallis Police Department
Non-Emergency Line: 541-766-6924 or 541-766-6911